



# **MINUTES**

## **FORMAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**

### **Diamondhead, Mississippi**

**Council Chambers**  
**City Hall**  
**June 3, 2013**  
**6:00 pm**

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1. **Call to Order**—Mayor Ingraham called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
  2. **Invocation**—Mayor Ingraham
  3. **Pledge of Allegiance**—Councilmember Holcomb
  4. **Roll Call**—The following members of Council were present: Mayor Ingraham, Dianne Ackerman, Hank Holcomb, Ernie Knobloch, Ron Rech. Councilmember Roberson was absent.
  5. **Approval of Minutes**—Councilmember Holcomb moved, seconded by Councilmember Rech, to Accept the Minutes as Presented Subject to Any Corrections or Additions Needed. The motion carried unanimously and the following minutes were approved:
    - 05.16.13 Work Session
    - 05.20.13 Formal
    - 05.23.13 Special Work Session
    - 05.30.13 Work Session
  6. **Confirmation or Adjustment of the Agenda Order**—Councilmember Rech moved, seconded by Councilmember Ackerman, to Accept the Agenda Order Subject to Any Corrections or Additions Made By Council, the City Manager, or the City Clerk. The motion carried unanimously.
  7. **Communications/Announcements from the Mayor and Council**
    - a. The next regularly scheduled Council Work Session will be held June 13, 2013 at 9 a.m. at Council Chambers located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle.
    - b. The next regularly scheduled Council Meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on June 17, 2013 in Council Chambers located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle.
    - c. The Mayor announced that during his absence from June 7-15, 2013, Councilmember Holcomb will serve as Mayor Pro Tem.
  8. **Presentations / Appointments**
    - a. 2013-2040—Mississippi PERS Increases since 2006 (State Retirement)—Mayor Ingraham restated that the City of Diamondhead does not participate in the MS PERS due to the yearly increases, currently at 15.75%. He also reviewed the city's Deferred Comp with city contribution of up to 8% or \$5,000. It was noted that the Council declined to participate in the city's Deferred Comp.
    - b. 2013-2045—Establishing a Police Department for the City of Diamondhead—Councilmember Ackerman was recognized and addressed Council regarding the stated issue. She stressed the

expenses incurred through the existing contract with the Sheriff's Department, the lack of control with the selection and retention of officers, overtime or performance reviews; lack of reporting to Council or the City Manager; PERS increases; training, loyalty to the County and not the City; and inability to obtain grants, among other issues. Councilmember Holcomb moved, seconded by Councilmember Rech, to spread Councilmember Ackerman remarks on the minutes in addition to documents prepared by the City Manager comparing the cost of the current police department through the Inter-local Agreement and the cost of a City-maintained Police Department. The motion carried unanimously.

**9. City Manager's Report**

The City Manager was recognized and updated Council on the Hurricane Table Top, Cruisin' the Coast, hog report, ditch cleaning, and the upcoming Mississippi Municipal League Convention. Capt. Al Hermann was recognized and reported on the last month's police activities in Diamondhead.

**10. Docket of Claims—**Councilmember Holcomb Moved, seconded by Councilmember Holcomb to Accept the Docket of Claims as Presented Subject to Any Corrections or Additions Needed. The motion carried unanimously.

**11. Citizens Wishing to Address Council, Agenda Items**

- a. Pete Kolf was recognized and addressed Council.
- b. Denise Catone was recognized and addressed Council in favor of the City establishing its own Police Department and expressed her support of Councilmember Ackerman's remarks.
- c. Nicole Boisdore was recognized and expressed her appreciation to Council for their service and addressed advertisement for the upcoming inauguration.
- d. Joe Lopez addressed Council on the Police Department issue.
- e. Skip Alfonso was recognized and addressed Council regarding the Police Department and the City's hiring practices.

<b>REGULAR AGENDA</b>
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**12. REGULAR AGENDA**

- a. 2013-2041—Councilmember Holcomb moved, seconded by Councilmember Ackerman, to Approve an Ad for the City of Diamondhead in the "Hancock Today" publication from the SeaCoast Echo. Following discussion, the motion failed unanimously.
- b. 2013-2042—Councilmember Knobloch moved, seconded by Councilmember Holcomb, to Approve Building Official and Building Clerk Job Descriptions. The motion carried unanimously.
- c. 2013-2046—Councilmember Holcomb moved, seconded by Councilmember Knobloch, to Approve an Ordinance for the Adoption of the City of Diamondhead Logo. The motion carried unanimously.
- d. 2013-2048—Councilmember Holcomb moved, seconded by Councilmember Knobloch, to Approve an Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 2012-011 for the Adoption of Fees in Conjunction with the Family of International Building Codes for the City of Diamondhead. The motion carried unanimously.

- e. 2013-2049—Councilmember Knobloch moved, seconded by Councilmember Ackerman, to Approve a Resolution to Authorize Expenditures for the Inauguration. Following discussion and a unanimous vote to amend the motion by Councilmember Knobloch, seconded by Councilmember Ackerman, to increase the amount to \$300 to advertise the inauguration, the motion carried unanimously.
- f. 2013-2051—Councilmember Holcomb moved, seconded by Councilmember Knobloch, to Approve a Conflict of Interest Policy for Officials. Following discussion, the motion failed- unanimously.
- g. 2013-2052—Councilmember Holcomb moved, seconded by Councilmember Knobloch, to Approve a Commercial Insurance Proposal from Bancorp South. The motion carried unanimously.
- h. 2013-2053—Councilmember Knobloch moved, seconded by Councilmember Rech, to Approve an RFP to Advertise for a City Attorney. The motion carried unanimously. It was noted that the timing of the RFP allows the new council to conduct interviews and make a selection of a new city attorney in a timely manner after taking office.
- i. 2013-2056—City-Owned Police Department Assets—No action was required on this item. Councilmember Holcomb moved, seconded by Councilmember Knobloch, to remove the item from the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b>
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Councilmember Holcomb moved, seconded by Councilmember Knobloch, to accept the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

13. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. 2013-2043—Motion to Approve an Agreement with Carrigee Consulting to Perform Plan Reviews
- b. 2013-2054—Motion to Approve a Resolution to Authorize the City's Participation in the Community Ratings System (CRS)
- c. 2013-2055—Motion to Approve an Agreement with Cruisin' the Coast for the 2013 Event

<b>ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA</b>
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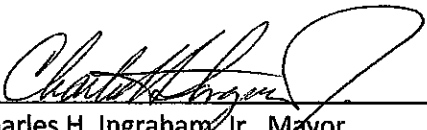
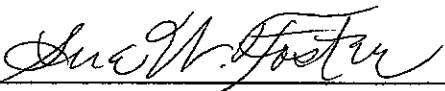
14. **Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda**  
None

15. **Citizens Wishing to Address Council, Non-Agenda Items** Limit of 3 minutes per person

As a Point of Information for the City Manager, Councilmember Ackerman advised that Mr. Alfonso volunteered to place a complimentary notice for the inauguration on his website

Capt. Hermann was recognized and spoke.

16. **ADJOURN**—Councilmember Holcomb moved, seconded by Councilmember Knobloch, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

  
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Charles H. Ingraham, Jr., Mayor  
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Sue W. Foster, City Clerk

Meeting Notice Posted at City Hall on May 31, 2013.